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JAN 13 2004 For: Transfer sheet, method of manufacturing the same and TC 1700 TRANSFER PRINTING METHOD

CLAIM FOR PRIORITY

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

The benefit of the filing date of the following prior foreign application filed in the following country is hereby requested for the above-identified application and the priority provided in 35 U.S.C. 119 is hereby claimed:

Japanese patent application No. 10-131817, filed May 14, 1998.

The certified copy of the original foreign application was filed June 9, 1999 in grandparent application Serial 09/310,581, now Patent No. 6,333,295.

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It is requested that the file of this application be marked to indicate that the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 119 have been fulfilled and that the Patent and Trademark Office kindly acknowledge receipt of this document.

Respectfully submitted,

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